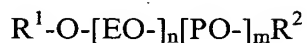


Abstract

Ether alcohols of the general formula (I)



where

R^1 is C_{1-4} -alkyl,

R^2 is hydrogen or C_{1-4} -alkyl,

n is on average 1 to 100,

m is on average 0 to $n/2$

EO, PO are basic building blocks derived from ethylene oxide and propylene oxide, which may be present in any order if both building blocks are present,

are used as solvents, solubility promoters or dispersion auxiliaries for organic compounds which are insoluble or insufficiently soluble in lipophilic and hydrophilic media, and as dispersion auxiliaries or continuous phase for (micro)pigment dispersions.